



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

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SITE: Brown's Dump
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July 14, 2005

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By U.S. Mail

Mr. Chris Pearson
Department of Solid Waste and Resource Management
140 West Monroe Street
Suite 200
Jacksonville, Florida 32202-3713

SUBJ: Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
Brown's Dump - Jacksonville
EPA I.D. Number: FLD 980 847 016

Dear Mr. Pearson:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is writing to inform the City that the reports covering the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)¹ have been completed to the point of allowing EPA to proceed to selection of a remedy. Characterization sampling can be quite complicated and time consuming, especially when numerous residential yards are to be sampled. As you know, this case has also been plagued by uncertainties and a series of changes in the status of state cleanup levels which have made identification of characterization targets and remediation targets even more challenging. As such, the screening levels in these two documents are not completely compatible; however, the facts on scope and extent of contamination and remedial approaches remain valid. The Proposed Plan and Record of Decision (ROD) will identify the final Remedial Action Objectives and establish specific cleanup levels while also settling their status for the Site.

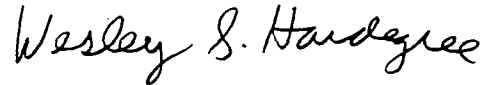
The next step for EPA is to take the information contained in the RI/FS and propose a cleanup plan. This Proposed Plan is near completion and will hopefully be public noticed later this month. During the thirty (30) day public comment period, a public meeting will occur. Currently, the most promising date for the public meeting is sometime during the week of August 8th.

¹ RI Report (Revision 3), dated July 2003; Feasibility Study (Revision 3), dated May 2005



If you have any questions on this letter or the project in general, please feel free to call me at (404) 562-8938.

Sincerely,



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